

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace paragraph [0054] with the following amended paragraph:

[0054] The MEA and the separator 18 are layered to construct a unit fuel cell 19, and at least one fuel cell (for example, one to three fuel cells) forms a module. A number of modules are piled (FIG. 7), and electrical terminals 20, electrical insulators 21, and end plates 22 are disposed at opposite ends of the pile of modules (all of the elements 19) to construct a stack of fuel cells 23. After tightening the stack of fuel cells 23 between the end plates 22 in a fuel cell stacking direction S, the end plates 22 are coupled to a fastening member 24 (for example, a tension plate) extending in the fuel cell stacking direction S outside the pile of modules by bolts or nuts 25. The bolts 25 extend in a direction perpendicular to the fastening member 24 and are threaded to the end plates 22.